

REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.111, reconsideration of the instant application, as amended herewith, is respectfully requested. Entry of the amendment is requested.

Claims 1 and 3-6 are presently pending before the Office with claim 2 being canceled herein.

The Examiner's Action mailed April 29, 2005 and the references cited therein have been carefully studied by Applicant and the undersigned counsel. The amendments appearing herein and these explanatory remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the Action. Accordingly, this important patent application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

The examiner has rejected claims 1 and 3-4 as being unpatentable over Lin in view of Voris and Tuttle and claim 5 in view of the same cites and further in view of Daleabout. Claim 6 was rejected further in view of Rasmussen. Applicant notes that the connection bar of LIN as construed by the examiner is not directed between an elongate bar and an upper rocking bar as per the present invention. The improved design of the present invention makes the present invention performance significantly superior to that of the LIN design. Also, 94 of Voris is not a connection bar as structured by the present invention, it is a simple 2 hole link similar to those used in chain links. It does not perform the functions of the connection bar of the present invention.

Nevertheless, in order to advance the case to allowance, applicant cancels claim 2 and instead amends claim 1 to add the limitations of canceled claim 2.

CONCLUSION

A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If the Office is not fully persuaded as to the merits of Applicant's position, or if an Examiner's Amendment would place the application in condition for allowance, a telephone call to the undersigned at (727) 943-9300 would be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

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